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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/617,675

Applicants: Maryellen L. GIGER, et al.

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COMPUTERIZED IMAGE ANALYSIS PROGNOSIS

Group Art Unit: 3676

Examiner:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.